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Comments: I'm a 68 yo RN who grew up in Los Angeles, CA in 1950's in the foothills where the smog sat in the LA basin... before unleaded gasoline... My 5yo brother suffered life threatening asthma attacks of gasping and wheezing little lungs pumping his boney ribs to suck the burning LA air into his body... Somehow regulations changed and gas became unleaded. The air stopped burning though smog is still an issue... The Ozone Hole was identified and gradually because of scientists and media and outcry and government regulations fluorocarbons and other chemicals have been band and the Ozone Layer/Hole is recovering... I live in Washington State and am so grateful for the Climate and air, water and soil here... But now we all realize or soon will, that every tree every sequestered Carbon Dioxide and Methane molecule matters to the whole world to stop the chemical demise of our world's weather systems that our precious flora and fauna depend on and all living beings...!! Every release of the old growth sequestered ( hidden away or cloistered) Carbon Dioxide molecule matters if freed into the atmosphere ... And if the perma frost releases its sequestered, Methane molecules, which are greater than 80% more toxic to our atmosphere and warming environment , then we are doomed ... by the fires, by the more powerful hurricanes, by the droughts and floods that will kill our agriculture, food and medicine producing plants and trees ... I beg you as a nurse who's tried to help sick and suffering adults and children with respiratory issues to get the oxygen they need... It is the worst thing to watch someone fight for each breath ... The suffering is unimaginable ... These words can never be enough to convey how catastrophic each little violation of nature is becoming as we collectively ignore what needs to done to change our lives, our businesses, our energy sources, our transportation systems and machines, ... everything needs to pivot to Nature supporting ways and means ... I beg you as fellow citizens, brothers and sisters on this Island Planet NOT to build more roads and to protect and guard every forest and ecosystem that we have that is thriving or holding its own... Your decisions are not local they are global... I beg of you to protect every tree as if it were a human being and just as important in your Family for they surely are the source of life as is everything... Every tree is home to how many insects, how many fungi among its roots, nests in its branches? And on and on ... Please protect and utilize every bit of land in balance with your community and I will continue to do what I can in my community... Please do everything in your power to create the healing answers to Climate a Extremes... No more development for profit and power for a few without profiting and power for Nature so she can lift us all up and find her equilibrium again... Best wishes and gratitude for your endeavor to protect this land and all others... May we find our way to peace and generosity through love... and healing...

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